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## **Insurance Department Attorney Appointed**

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS (June 20, 2008) —State Insurance Commissioner Julie Benafield Bowman today announced that Zane Chrisman, an Associate Counsel in the Arkansas Insurance Department's Legal Division, has been appointed by Arkansas Bar Association (ABA) President-Elect Rosalind Mouser to three committees of the association. Ms. Chrisman's appointment to the Group Insurance, Editorial Handbook Committees as well as Chair of the Continuing Legal Education Committee became effective at the ABA's annual meeting in Hot Springs. She was also elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Government Practice Section.

"I am extremely proud of Ms. Chrisman and the example she sets," said Bowman. "She is a tremendous asset to the Arkansas Insurance Department and the people of Arkansas."

Prior to coming to the Department, Chrisman was a law clerk in the Fifth Division Circuit Court of Judge Willard Proctor, Jr. She also practiced as a litigation attorney with the Law Offices of James F. Swindoll. Chrisman graduated from the University of Arkansas with a B.S. in Mathematics in 1998. She then attended the University of Arkansas School of Law and Cambridge University to gain her Juris Doctor in 2002. She has also completed training to become a certified mediator. Chrisman is licensed before the Arkansas Supreme Court, the Eastern and Western Districts of Arkansas, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, and the Supreme Court of the United States of America.

The Arkansas Bar Association is a voluntary, statewide Association with more than 5,100 attorney members.

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